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NEWPORT VILLA IN RUINS. Nothing Saved from the Fire-Even the Clothing of the Members of the Family and the Servants Burned-The Silver and

Are Supposed to be Secure-The Tapestries, Paintings, and Furniture Destroyed NEWPORT, R. L. Nov. 25 .- "The Brakers." the costly summer residence of Cornelius Vanderbilt, is to-night in ruins.

remain of the villa, which for years has been

himself about 4 o'clock this afternoon. He saw smoke in the main hall. A telephone message was sent to the city and a still fire alarm was sent in. Mr. Vanderbilt thinking at that moment that the fire was slight and

and half from the nearest fire station. Before an alarm could be sent out and the apparatus reach there, the fire was far beyond control. A general alarm summoned the entire deare widely separated.

pressure. There was a break in the ins, and the water works had reduced the ressure one-half in two hours before the fire

could be done to save his property.

mon furniture was saved. All the rich tapes rescue.

The house was built about a dozen or fifteen years ago for Pierre Lorillard of New grounds, by Mr. Vanderbilt in 1884 for \$400.

height, the lower part being of brick and the upper of wood, with numerous towers and gables.

curate estimate of his loss, which he said was largely covered by insurance through New

The silver and jewels were placed in the safes by the servants, and are probably all right.

Nearly every residence in the vicinity of today's fire represents, with its contents and surrounding grounds, hundreds of thousands

BIUMINGHAM, Ala., Nov. 25.-Six weeks ago the Southern Female University removed to this city from Florence. Yesterday Dr. L. D. Bass, President, asked a committee of fly prominent citizens, including three pasters of churches, to make investigation into certain

scandalous charges.
One of the pupils. Miss Mattie Brown of Milton, Fla., a pretty, black-eyed brunette, preferred charges against Dr. Bass of attempting to enter her room at night. He had come to the door about 10% on Monday night and

with her for the night.

In Dr. Bass's defence it was said that Miss Brown had been receiving letters from a sweetheart in Florida, and at her parents' request Dr. Bass had stopped them. She had demanded them, and had been heard to say she "would make old Bass's cheeks burn for that."

The committee decided that Mr. Bass was blameless, but recommended, in the interest of peace, that he resign the Presidency. The school is his private property, and he has transferred its management to the committee as a Fourd of Trustees, retaining only the business management. Miss Brown is still on the roll.

Collapse of the Institution Started in Phil Daly's Long Branch Cottage.

At Long Branch last May the "New Humanity Cure." a gold cure institution, was started in Phil Daly's cottage with a capital of \$400,000. The company refurnished the house in magnificent style, and soon opened

CLEVELAND KILLS EIGHT DUCKS. The Weather Was Not Favorable, But the

EXMORE, Va., Nov. 25,-Mr. Cleveland to-day shot eight ducks as a starter in shooting. Of this number four were redheads and four

were brant. Mr. Cleveland, accompanied by Mr. Jefferson, entered the sallboat, S. B. Robins, and was taken to the shooting blinds about half a mile out in the bay, by George Doughty, a well-known sailor near hore.

Cut Hargis, an attaché of the club house, occupied a small beat in tow. He had the decoys.

The decoys were placed, and Hargis sailed around the blinds to frighten the ducks and

around the blinds to frighten the ducks and send them within reach of the sportsmen. Doughty remained with the small boat, brought in the water fewl when shot, and loaded the guns.

As the sun giew warmer and the wind became a trifle less strong, the ducks began to settle and the prospects became rather poor.

As a consequence Mr. Cleveland had little opportunity to test his ability as a mark-man, but was successful in the few shots which he was able to secure.

Upon landing he expressed himself as having suffered little inconvenience from the cold. He was in good spirits and declared that he had greatly encoved the sport. The roughness of the water thoroughly denethed the party with spray.

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Should the winds subside and the water become less rough Mr. Cleveland will be taken to the blinds shortly after daylight and spend several hours in duck shooting. But if the northwest gale continues it is probable the day will be devoted to partridge shooting.

ELIZABETH, Nov. 25,-Samuel T. Fisher, Mar-

tin J. Dixon, E. E. Carney, Charles C. Sully, and John G. Fisher, members of the Tom Sawyer Theatrical Company, were arrested here at midnight last night on the arrival of the Somerville train, and locked up in cells until this morning. The cause for this proceeding was a telegram from D. N. Messler, manager

was a telegram from D. N. Messler, manager of the Opera House at Somervills, to the effect that a pocketbook containing SG and a pass had been stolen from Charles Dyas, janitor of the Opera House, and asking that the mais members of the troups be arrested and held until a formal charge could be made.

The actors vigorously protested against their arrest, and disclaimed all knowledge of the missing pocketbook. A few hours later another telegram came to release the prisoners, but Chief Tenney held them until 8 o'clock today, when they were discharged upon the receipt of a third message that the matter was all right. The actors left the city vowing they would bring suit for false imprisonment against the Somerville man.

ARRESTED FOR SHOPLIFTING.

irs, Willis Says She Stole Because Her Husband Was Sick and Destitute.

Mrs. Lily Willis, who lives in a flat at 253 Macon street, Brooklyn, went into Stern's dry goods store, at Sixth avenue and Twentythird street, yesterday afternoon, and was arrested by the private detective after she had visited several of the departments. She was and two pocketbooks were found under her cloak. They were valued at \$11.50. The detective took her to the Tenderloin station. Capt. O'Connor had an interview with her there

"My husband is sick at home," she said, and we had not a cent in the house. I yielded to temestation and took these things, hardly knowing what I was doing. It was my first offence. Capt. O'Connor said last night that he be-lieved the prisoner told the truth.

All the Other Homestend Murder Cases May

Be Dropped. PITTSBURGH, Nov. 25 .- Lawyer Argo, one of the Homestead mon's counsel, returned to Sioux City to-night. This afternoon he said that he was given to understand that all the Homestead cases on the calendar would be

dropped. He was not positive that this would be done, but his colleague, Mr. Erwin, will remain until morning, at which time he will know for a car-"If the case should come up," continued Mr.
Argo, "my colleague and myself will be here
to lend our aid, and to push with vigor the indictments on the other side. I think we would
give Mr. Frick the worst wrestling match he
syer had."

"Yes, It rests the worst wresting match he ever had."

"But can indictments for murder be dropped without trial?" was anked.
"Yes, It rests entirely with the District Attorney. If he is satisfied that convictions are impossible it would be a waste of time. The District Attorney is the Judge before the trial. He hasn't even hinted at it, but several people have been to see us with certain propositions looking to this end, and we have every reason to believe that they represent the other side."

Only Half the Train had Passed.

INDIANAPOLIS, Nov. 25 .- Freight train No. 84. cast bound, on the Indianapolis division of the Fan Handle road, was stalled on Jackson's Hill at 3 o'clock this morning. The train was cut in two and a part of it left on the main track. Train 31, west bound, was at the top of the hill to meet train No. 84, and when the first part of 84 had passed, started down the hill. In the collision these were killed and W. E. BERREAS, Indianapolis, fireman; instantly

H. H. Mayre, Indianapole, engineer, both legs crushed, injuries thought to be fatal. Hanny Hominiss, Indianapolis, head brakeman; pronably fatally scalled. The engine of train No. 84 was detailed, and six box cars were piled upon one another.

Trial of Actor M. B. Curtis.

San Francisco, Nov. 25.-In the trial of Actor M. B. Curtis to-day, for the murder of Policeman Grant, a new witness testified.

Rufus L. King Seeking a Divorce. Stotta Fallas, S. D., Nov. 25.-Rufus J. King is suing Mary Louiso King for divorce. According to the wife's statement. King has twice before applied for a divorce—once in Virginia and once in Connecticut. He falled in both cases. The marriage occurred in Trenton, N. J., in 1876. Counter charges of desertion are made. Mr. King does business in New York and Mrs. King at present is living in Philadelphia.

James S. Stone of 223 Fast Fourteenth street

street were arrested on the Bowery at 11 o'clock last night while trying to sell tickets for a dance which they represented would be given in Tammany Hall for the benefit of the employees of the Excise Department.

PRICE TWO CENTS. WANTED A LICENSE TO KILL

PETROFF ASKED JUDICIAL PERMIS-SION TO COMMIT A MURDER.

He Was Willing to Fine His Enemy and Old Employer \$500,000 in Lieu of His Life, but He Had a Londed Pistol With Him, HARTFORD, Nov. 23.-"You are wild, young

nan. You don't know what you are talking about. You are dead crazy." "Excuse yourself, I am not crazy," was the reply.

The speakers were Clork Marvin of the; United States Circuit Court and a man who gave his name as John B. Petroff. Potroff entered the office on Wednesday and requested that he be authorized to kill T. F. Hammond, of Branford or fine him \$500,000. The insane man was put off with some excuse, and he went away. He visited Judge Sherman W. Adams, Park Commissioner, the same day, and showed him some documents which he

carried in a small yellow grip.

To-day the stranger strode into the office of Judge Harrison B. Freeman and wanted him to affix his signature to a document he held in his hands. Judge Freeman said he was very busy. At this Petroff put his bag down on the Judge's table, and, looking the Judge straight in the eye, said that his business must be attended

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RIVAL CLASSES COME TO BLOWS.

Even the Girls at Iowa's Coraell Catch the Combattve Spirit.

Des Moines, Nov. 25.—Cornell College at Mount Vernon, in Linn county, is greatly excited over the big class row between the sophomores and freshmon. The trouble began over the sephomores wearing mortarboard hats. When they appeared on Monday morning with their new hats a mob of freshmen attacked them. Torn garments, crushed hats, bloody noses, and scratched faces were the result, and the midde was only stopped when the faculty interfered.

Last evening the sophomores searched the rooms of the freshmen for the lost mortar hoards. Several freshmen, in resisting the sophomores were roughly handled. Late in the evening the sophomores met a large crowd of reshmen who had been looking for them, and after a lively struggle the sophomores were roughly handled. Late in the evening the sophomores met a large crowd of freshmen who had been looking for them, and after a lively struggle the sophomores were roughly handled. Late in the evening the sophomores were looking for them, and after a lively struggle the sophomores were roughly handled. Late in the evening the sophomores were looking for them, and after a lively struggle the sophomores were looking for them, and after a lively struggle the sophomores were looking for them, and after a lively struggle the sophomores were looking for them, and after a lively struggle the sophomores were looking for them, and after a lively struggle the sophomores were looking for them, and after a lively struggle the sophomores were looking for them, and af Petroff ins been employed as a waiter in a restaurant and as a horse-car driver. He says his diet consists solely of black coffee and dry bread and crackers. He will be sent to the insune asylum at Middletown.

WAS THIS A SUICIDE?

Young Joseph Franz's Wound Appears to The relatives and friends of Joseph Frans.

the thirteen-year-old boy who was killed by a bullet from a small 32-calibre pistol on Thursday afternoon, are disposed to believe that he committed suicide. The lad left the dinner table, went to his room, and shortly afterward a pistol shot was heard, and he was found lying dead on the floor. The builet had gone through his heart.

There were only two shells in the revolver. The unexploded shell was dented, showing that the hammer had fallen on it and had that the hammer had fallen on it and had failed to explode it. This would show that the lad pulled the trigger twice. His coat was only slightly singed, showing that his aim was true. The boy was insured for \$100.

The pistol which the how used belonged to a cousin, who died several weeks ago. The following letter, which Joseph had written and which increases the mystery surrounding his death, was found in his room:

Dean Farmen: I am going to an exentaion in June and I will take my hat and my ball with me. I am going next Number, and I will tell you all about, it when I come home. Your loving son. SURE THE COMET MEANS DEATH.

Georgia Negroes Have Quit Work and Are Preparing to Die To-day.

ATLANTA, Nov. 25.-The granite quarries at

Stone Mountain and at Lithonia have agents in the city trying to get workmen. They em-ploy 500 colored helpers for the granite cutters. Not more than half of them reported for work last Monday, and day by day since they have dropped off until now not one of them is left. The comet is the cause of this absence from work. The negroes have become so wrought up over the end of the world, as they call it, that they devote themselves to wild religious orgies. A marriage which was to have taken place at the Lithonia colored church last night was broken oif, because, as the groom explained: "What's de use if there is only three days more to live." Houses are left open, and everything is in common, but so intense is the belief in the coming of judgment day that nothing is disturbed. Saturday night they have set down as the time fixed for the end of all things.

Reports from other sections of the State show that certain classes of whites are quite nervous, and are not satisfied with the explanation that the coming of the comet will be a display of lireworks if it is anything. from work. The negroes have become so

This Astronomer Suys It's a Dead Comet. PITTSBURGE, Nov. 25 .- Prof. Francis Very of the Allegheny Observatory, who has for several days been taking observations of the comet, holds that it is a cold body and shines only with reflected light. He identifies it as Biela's comet, and says that the movements of the body are not accompanied by meteoris showers. The comet is in the constellation

The Weather.

The area of high pressure has moved to West Virginia and has lost much of its former magnitude, but is still of sufficient energy to hold in check the Western storm now central over lows. This storm is increasing in intensity, and yesterday it caused rains throughout the lower Massauri and upper Mississippi valleys and an snowfail of three to five inches in the Dakotas and Montana. A cold wave will follow the storm closely. Freezing weather extended southward yesterday on the Atlantic censt to Savannah, and in Alabama nearly to the Guif. In the central valleys and the lake regions there was a sharp rise in the temperature. A second storm has entered the country on the north

Pacific coast, causing a continuance of the heavy rains in Oregon and northern California.

In this city yeaterday the weather was cloudy, with a

furry of snow in the middle of the day. Highest official temperature, 20°; lowest, 29°, wind northwest; aver-are velocity, id miles an hour, average humidity, 59 per cent.

The thermanneter at Perry's pharmacy in Two Ser

Average on Nov. 25, 1801.

WASHINGTON FORECAST FOR SATURDAY.
For New England, costern New Fork, castern Pennsylmia, New Jersey, Lelaware, and Haryland, fair, was rinds.

For the District of Columbia and Virginia, fair, except light showers in western Virginia; slightly warm-

er; winds becoming south. For West Virginia, western Pounsylvania, and western New York, fair, followed by showers on the

lakes; slightly warmer; southerly winds.

The storm has moved from Colorado to Minne-sots, rapidly diminishing in energy. A second storm has remained stationary on the north Pacific coast. The clearing condition attributes in a ridge of high pressure from the lakes to Fiorida. A second clearing condition has remained nearly stationary to the north of Montana. The temperature has fallen west of the Missouri River and has generally risen east.

Latest Marine Intelligence.

D. EDGAR CROUSE'S WEALTH.

ALL SYRACUSE ON TIP-TOE TO LEARN HOW HE DISPOSED OF IT.

The Public Will be Disappointed When His Will Is Rend To-Day-To His Jockey He Gives \$100,000, to His Confidential Clerk \$150,000, and to His Valet, Attorney, and Housekeeper, \$50,000 Each, but Not a Cent to Crouse Memorial College, which Expected a Million-All the Rest of His Great Wealth Left to His Next of Kin.

SYRACUSE, Nov. 25.- The city of Syracuse has seen on a tip-toe of expectation throughout the day, waiting for the mortal remains of 1). Edgar Crouse to be put under ground, so that information might be had of the details of his will, the instrument under which his immense realth will be distributed. Mr. Crouse was one of the richest men in the State, his fortune being variously estimated at from \$8,000,000 to \$20,000,000. It came largely to him by inheritance from his father. John Crouse, and his brother, John J. Crouse. with whom he was in business in the wholesale grocery trade in this city. His Him father gave to the Syracuso University the Crouse Memorial College, a building which cost \$500,000, but which was left unendowed by him. He died intestate, as did also John J. Crouse, both of whose fortunes D. Edgar Crouse interited. As his mother died within the seven years just past, the brief period which witnessed the extinction of the entire

family, he became possessor of everything.

D. Edgar Crouse became famous in this country and abroad four years ago by erecting in Syracuse a stable, fitted in palatial style, at a cost of three-quarters of a million. This stable HE SUN described at the time of its completion. Its contents are regal in their splender. nothing being regarded as too costly to adorn to. The building is, in fact, a perfectly equipped club house, but so peculiar was its owner that perhaps not fifty persons all teld have ever erassed its threshold. He continually talked of opening it for a reception, but died without carrying out the intention. His only hobby was fast horses, scores of which he reared and race !. A. J. Feek, known on the turf as Jack Feek, the horse jockey, was continually in his employ, replenishing his stables for both his personant use and for the strings he trotted

on the circuits. Although deeply concerned in the performances of his horses on the turf. Mr. Crouse rarely attended the races here or elsewhere. few years ago he made it a point to go to New York whenever there was to be fine racing. There, as well as in Saratoga, D. Edgar Crouse's horses were recognized as among the very best. He owned a stable in New York, where he quartered his horses during his sojourns there. He lived at the Hoffman House, and had for cronies such men as Frank Work, H. McK. Twombler, and Robert Bonner. In New York more than in Syracuse Mr. Crouse got among the busy men of the world. He had no interests outside of the custody of his vast wealth, and so engrossing was this care that he took no interest in public affairs. He never registered or voted, it being a fact that he did not deviate from this strange ab-

that he did not deviate from this strange abstraction of things political even to assist his brother, the late John J. Crouse, who was a caudidate for and was elected Mayor of the city in 1879.

None of his money was invested in the enterprises of Synacuse after the closing out of the grecery business founded by his father, and in which his great fortune was amassed. Yet he was suid to have been always on the alert for a prolitable investment. Only a year orso ago he loomed up in the vision of the management of the great corporation, and in creder to accomplish what was in view Mr. Crouse had to be taken into consultation. At that time he got more prominence in the financial world than he had ever had before. However, the grounds are considered with the first was the signal for the opening of the bombardment by the ground batteries and shell guns.

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Mr. Crouse did his banking business in Syracuse at the First National bank. He carried the largest account on its books. The most of his wealth, however, was on deposit in New York. ried the largest account on its books. The most of his wealth, however, was on deposit in New York, it is said, though he always had plenty near at hand. Mr. Crouse frequently carried in his wallet \$10,000 in bills of large denomination. Strangely enough, he was not afraid of robbery, but in his own way took precautions against it. He is acknowledged to have added to what he inherited from his brother, John J., and his father, not only by natural increment, but by indicious investment. Mr. Grouse's expenditures for lewelry and horseffesh were without thought of limit, Once embarked in a line of expenditure, as for example, his stable, he gave his agents carte bianche. Tiffany at Co. of New York spent money like water buying articles of vertu for the stable. His generosity was of the imputiested of the limit of carterians in the stable. His generosity was of the imputiested of the property of the stable of the had not made a rule for its observance. Yet he had a free hand, Only recently he carried some of his choicest genes to a member of the family, and astonished her with the gift. To the head waiter at the Fifth Avenue Hotel in New York, of which he had long been a patron, he one day presented a \$1.400 horse. Chancellor Sins suggested to him one day that a plano was needed in the crouse Memorial College. The response was a half dozen of the finest instruments made. Altorney Jacob Nottingham of this city, who drew his will, drives a spanking put despite his books.

Hoffman House.

Mr. Courses will, when made public to-morrow, will be a source of general disappointment, inasmuch as out of his great wealth he does practically nothing of a philanthropic character. To the several charitable institutions of importance in the several charitable in t codes practically nothing of a philanthropic character. To the several charitable institutions of importance in Syracuse he gives bequests of \$1.000 cach; to A. J. Feek, his jocker. \$100,000; to Maurice F. Graves, his condicated clerk, \$150,000; to William H. Jaroby, \$50,000; to Jacob A. William H. Jaroby, \$50,000; to Jacob A. William H. Jaroby, \$50,000; to Jacob A. William H. Jaroby, \$50,000; to Margaret Enricht, his housekeeper, \$50,000; to Margaret Enricht, his housekeeper, \$50,000; and to fit with the other employees in his household \$1,000. The remainder of the estate is to be divided among his next of kin, chief among whom are told feerge N. Crouse, Jacob Crouse, and Charles F. Grouse, cousins, of this city, and Daniel N. Grouse of Utica. The fact that no provision was made for the maintenance of the Crouse Memorial College astonishes everylody who heard the news to-night. At least \$1,000,000; was expected by the university for this purpose. Unendowed the memorial college is a heavy load to carry. It was also expected that the stable would be bequeathed to the city for some public purpose.

By Pistol and By Rope,

Frederick Ponnetto, a Robemian butcher, 21 years old, hanged himself to a bed post at his ome, 402 East Seventy-sixth street, yesterday afternoon. He was out of work and had been drinking.

Charles Sanders, a German waiter, 25 years of age, living at 90 Eighth street, killed him-If yesterday morning by sending a bullet self yesterday morning by sending a bullet through his brain in front of the Café Imperial, at 74 Second avenue. He is supposed to have been in love with the cashier of the café. Sanders was employed in Stewart's oyster house in Third avenue, near Fourieenth street until last Saturday night, when he was discharged, at 40 clock yesterday morning he went to the Cafe shift, at 70 Second avenue, and berrowed a piece of paper on which he wrote: "I am Charles Sanders 25 years old. Care of Mr. Yoge, its Fast Fighth street." This paper, together with several pool tickets and pawn lickets, was found on the body. WOMEN BEAT A WIFE BEATER.

He Was Charing His Wife On the Street, and They Knocked Him Senseless.

HAZLETON, Nov. 25,-A score of indignant women yesterday attacked a wife beater at Honeybrook and drove him from the village. Honeybrook has about 1,000 inhabitants and is two miles east of here. Among its inhabitants was Thomas Quinty, who, with his wife and two children, occupied a cottage near the base of the mountain. Quinty worked in the mines, and seemed to earn sufficient wages to keep his wife and two children with comfort-They were not comfortable, however, as the ragged condition of the children and the emaciated features of the wife showed. His earnings went principally for whiskey. When not in urink he was kind and indulgent, but when drunk a flendish spirit took possession of him. Intely the screams of the woman and children

have been heard almost nightly. The villagers knew what was going on, but no one wanted to interfere. Yesterday being a heliday. Quinty celebrated by getting a little drunker than usual. He struck his wife. and then got a strap and ordered his little daughter to go for beer. She had no money and the strap was used on her. The mother. disregarding bruises, kicks, and cuffs, went to the rescue of the child. Quinty caught her by the hair and dragged her to the floor. Repeatedly he struck her, and then she rushed from the house. Down the railroad she ran, followed by her husband.

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At this time a party of women was returning from church. The cries of the woman attracted their attention, and they saw that he carried in his hand a fence picket. The women were indignast and a hold spirit arose among them. Hose Washington and Jane Haggerty took the fead. Mrs. Quinty was placed in the rear of the bevy, which by this time numbered thirteen.

As the husband approached one of the women selzed his club, and before he could recover from his amazement the club came down on his head with great force. Other sticks were found near by. The man fought at olds, and he was soon forced to cry for more.

at odds, and he was soon forced to cry for mercy.

None was shown. The excitement spread throughout the village, and in a short time half the population of the place appeared. Unity fell exhausted to the ground, and some of the men intorfered. Quinty was taken to an adjacent house, where stimulants revived him. He was then told that tar and feathers were being prepared for him, and he fied, and has not since been seen.

THE RAIN - MAKING BOMBARDMENT.

Balloons and Bombs Exploded High in the Air in the Texas Experiment. SAN ANTONIO, Nov. 25.-Gen. R. T. Dyrenforth and his party of rain makers began their first series of experiments in producing rain by concussion this afternoon at 4:45 o'clock. The bombardment of the heavens will be kept up until midnight with brief intermissions. It was the intention of John P. King and John W. Dickinson, the backers of the movement, to start the experiments this morning, but it looked like rain, and it was decided to hold off until the indications were more favorable for a thorough test. There were showers last night, and this morning the sky was overcast. Clouds came up from the southwest and there was a heavy wind blowing all day. At noon the sky cleared and the sun shone brightly, the only apparent indications for rain being a heavy band of clouds in the western and southern

The force of soldiers was immediately put to

MR. BLAINE'S ILLNESS.

One of His Physicians Said He was Better Yesterday and Would Be Out No WASHINGTON, Nov. 25 .- There were rumore o-day that the condition of ex-Secretary Blaine was such as to arouse the solleitude of his friends. On Tuesday of last week he was seized with a chill, which was followed by a light fever. The night before he had complained of a slight attack of gout in his foot. Dr. Frank Hyatt, whose treatment of Mrs. Blaine's illness two years ago was so successful, was called to attend Mr. Blaine. He is a specialist in diseases of the throat and lungs. and when he learned the nature of Mr. Blaine's complaint he informed the family that the services of a skilled general practitioner were needed. Dr. W. W. Johnson was thereupon summoned and is now in attendance upon the

patient. Dr. Hyatt meeting with him at the of which he had long been a patron, he one day presented a 51,000 horse. Chancellor sims suggested to him one day that a plan was needed in the crouse Memorial College. The response was a half dozen of the finest instruments made. Attorney Jacob Nottingham of this city, who drew his will, drives a spanking patrof horses which Mr. Crouse seat to his hoose last summer with hardly a word of warning.

Mr. Crouse weighed upward of 300 pounds, but, despite his obesity, he was aman of fine appearance affl a fastidious judge of dress. His likes were few, hut strong. To those to whom he gave his confidence he showed the deepest kind of an attachment. What this signifled to them they only understand. He no doubt was what would be called a peculiar man. No one hundred citizens of his own city knew him well. Feek, his jockey, was his boon companion everywhere. They were familiar figures at the Fifth Avenue Hotel and later at the Hoffman House.

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Dr. Johnston, it was understood, would pass the night in the Blaine residence as a measure of precaution. BURNED TO DEATH IN HER ROOM.

A Servant Perished in the St. Nicholas Park Hotel Fire. For many years a big frame building has stood on the side of the steep hill at 155th street. It was known as the St. Nicholas Park Hotel, and for several years has been run with more or less success by the Grassmuck brothers. Edward and Martin. Shortly after 20'clock yesterday morning Policeman Krowl of the Washington Heights station discovered smoke issuing from the old building. The doors were locked, so he smashed the windows with his

baton and aroused the household. There were six persons in the house. They were the Grassmuck brothers, Mrs. Charlotte Grassmuck, their mother, their sister Bertha. and their niece, Olga Willer, 15 years old, and

and their niece, Olga Willer, 15 years old, and the servant. Rosie Raubenbuchler. The latter elept in a rear room, from the window of which she could easily have escaped. Martin rae to the door of her room and told her to hurry out. She answered that she would. By this time the fire had gained such headway that the family were obliged to leave the house without even waiting to dress.

In a firemen could do nothing except prevent the spread of the flames to the adjoining buildings, and in two hours the St. Nicholas Park liotel was a mass of ruins. Itosie liquidently was a mass of ruins. Itosie liquidently was a mass of ruins. Itosie liquidently higher could not be found. Later the firemen working about the ruins came across her charred body. She had apparently met death in her room, with little or no effort to escape, although the window which looked out on the bluff was only six feet above the ground.

The Grassmucks loss on furniture and other property is about \$3,000. The hotel is valued at \$15,000, and is a total loss.

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SHOT BRIDE AND GROOM BOTH

THEN JEALOUS MAY SAMS MORTALLY WOUNDED HERSELF.

Sought Them Out After Their Return Fron the Wedding Trip-Capt, Sampson Dead, Mrs. Sampson Likely to Die-May Says Sampson Had Promised to Marry Her. Carro, Ill., Nov. 25.-The most tragic event that has ever occurred in this town took place at the Planters' House, about 11 o'clock this morning. Capt. Ransom Sampson, a wellknown steamboat pilot, was shot and almost instantly killed, his bride of a week is perhaps mortally wounded, and the jealous woman who fired the shots lies dangerously wounded

with a bullet in her breast.

Capt. Sampson had lived in Caire for many years, and had been employed as harbor pilot. He had been unfortunate in his marital relations. A few years ago he obtained a divorce from his first wife on account of her infidelity. Then he became acquainted with May Sams of Jonesboro, Iii. She has said to her friends that they were engaged to be married, and that she had her clothes made in preparation for that event, which was soon to have occurred. Sampson did not marry her. On the contrary he won the affections of Miss Lizzie Spieres, a beautiful and highly esteemed young woman of Hickman, Ky. On Wednesday of last week they were married. After a short wedding tour Mr. and Mrs. Sampson came to this town this morning. They arrived on an early train, registered at the

Planters' House, and were assigned to room 14 on the second floor. About 11 o'clock May Sams appeared at the office of the hotel and asked to see the bride and groom. She is a pleasant-faced, goodlooking woman, and was neatly dressed in a well-fitting blue serge suit. There was nothing in her appearance to indicate that she was armed and intent upon an errand so terrible as events proved. Supposing her to be a friend of the Sampsons, the clerk directed her to the

room in which they were. About half an hour later the clerks and others who were in the office below were startled by a pistol shot. Before any one could act came the report of another shot. Others followed in quick succession until six had been fred. Simultaneously with the last shot were heard a woman's screams, and Mrs. Sampson came rushing down the stairway with blood from a wound in her breast streaming down the front of her dress. Guests of the hotel helped her to a sent in the office; others rushed up to room 14. They found Sampson on the floor dying. Scated on the side of the bed was May Sams with blood pouring from a wound in her breast. Asked who had done the shooting, she replied, "I did it," but would not say more.

Sampson gasped once or twice and was

dead. The widowed bride was taken back up stairs. Two of the bullets had struck her, both near the centre of the breast, ranging one toward the right, the other toward the left. May Sams's wound was just over the heart, and the doctors pronounced it mortal. Both women were taken to St. Mary's Inwhile wraps were placed around her within a few feet of where Capt. Fampson lay dead. It was learned to-night that May Sams had planned the deed deliberately. She gave a friend \$90 with the remark: "That will be enough to bury me," and then affectionately said good-by. When she went to the room at the hotel she told Mrs. Sampson that she had come to tell her the kind of a man she had married and then to kill him. At the hospital she said she was sorry she had shot Mrs. Sampson, that she had not gone there to kill her, but in the excitement after she shot Sampson she shot the bride also, and then

Sampson's recovery. May Sams is sinking. and her death is expected before morning. PLYMOUTH CHURCH SAYS NO.

It Will No Longer Send Its Mission Funds Through the American Board. The American Board of Foreign Missions, of which the Rev. Dr. R. S. Storrs of the Church receive no further contributions from Plymouth Church. This action was practically decided upon at a meeting of the congre gation last night, Deacon H. L. Pratt presided. and after a brief discussion on missionary

work abroad Dr. Abbott presented a resolu-

tion postponing the collection of money for this work until a week from next Sunday, and also providing that unless otherwise desig-nated the contributions should be sent through the Noyes Mission instead of through the also providing that unless otherwise designated the contributions should be sent through the Noyes Mission instead of through the Noyes Mission instead of through the American Board.

The Roy. Mr. Billss, the assistant pastor, moved as an amendment that the money should as usual us sent through the American Board, but his motion was not seconded. S. V. White, Thomas G. Shearman, Prof. Rossiter W. Raymond, and others spoke strongly in favor of Dr. Abbott's resolution, which was adopted, the Rev. Mr. Biliss alone, apparently, voting in the negative.

170f. Haymond was very bitter in his attack on the American Board on account of its restrictions on the theological views of the missionaries and its general headstrong opposition to the liberal religious tendencies of the age. Dr. Abbott characterized the American Board as a close corporation, which filled its own vacancies and took no notice of the wishes of the large body of its supporters. He thought the time had come for Flymouth Church to free itself from all connection with such an institution.

The Noyes Mission is named after a Mr. Noyes of Boston, who was rejected as a foreign missionary by the American Board three years ago on account of the liberality of his views, and was sent to Japan as the reprosentative of three independent churches. Mr. Noyes, it is said, has established a very successful mission in Japan, and Flymouth church's contribution will doubtless assist him in extending his work.

in extending his work. HEAVY PURCHASES IN WHISKEY.

Nearly 60,000 Barrels of a Cheap Kind

Bought Secretly in Louisville. LOUISVILLE, Nov. 25 .- Within a few days nearly 60,000 barrels of whiskey have been bought here in large lots by persons whose identity has been kept secret. The lots have been bought through brokers, and the sellers do not know whom the brokers represent. The whiskey is of the cheaper or "quick aging" kind. It is understood that the liquor has been sold at about 25 cents a gallon, exclusive of the tax. A reporter interviewed a large number of the dealers to-day, but all were unwilling to be quoted. Some of them said they were under obligations not to talk. From one source it was learned, however, that New York persons are the purchasers.

The belief among whiskey men is that it has been bought in the expectation that Concress will increase the tax. Whiskey now pays ninety cents a gallon, and the general belief of the trade is that the tax may be put up to one dollar and fifty cents. Should whiskey be taxed higher, the value of the stock on hand would be proportionalely advanced, yielding an enormous profit.

Two other theories have been advanced. One is that the Whiskey Trust is seeking to control the output of the quick-aging Kentucky distilleries to prevent competition and advance the price of its own goods. The other is that large customers of the trust have grown restive under its exactions and are laying in stocks preparatory to independence. been sold at about 25 cents a gallon, exclusive

Went About Making People Sign Cheeks, Hamilton, O., Nov. 25.-News reached here o-day that Oran Vorhis, aged 40, of Sharonville, at 5 o'clock last evening held up Dr. J. W. Cornell of the same place, and, covering him with a shotgun, caused him to sign a check in Vorhis's favor for \$5.00 on the First National Bank of this city. Next Vorhis went to Grover Brown and made him write out a check for \$1.000. Then he tried Dr. Smithers, and was arrested. Some Sharonville people think Voorhis is insane.

Five Great Limited Trains, a distinguishing feature of the New York Central service, illuminated by Pintach gas, safest, most brilliant and reliable light devised for railways.—4ds.

WHO WILL BE SENATOR FROM KANSAS? Jerry Simpson Nays it Depends on Chance the Toss of a Penny, as it Were.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 25.-Congressman Jerry Simpson of Kansas was at the Capitol to-day prepared to resume his duties as the Alliance champion in the House. When asked who would be the next Senator from Kansas he

replied: "We have to catch the Legislature before we can tell. There is no certainty about the Legislature yet. We have about six majority in the Upper House, and in the Lower House there is a tie between the Republicans on the one hand and the People's party and the Democrats on the other. Who will have a majority now depends on chance. In one of the legislative districts the two opposing candidates ran a tie, and our law provides that in such a case the election shall be determined by lot. If case the election shall be determined by lot. If we are lucky in drawing lots we will get the Legislature. But if the Republicans get the best of us in the draw they will have a majority of one in the lower House, and they will immediately turn out enough of our folks on contests to give them a majority of the Legislature on joint bailot. The whole thing depends on the tors of a penny, as it were."

"How about Mrs. Lease:
"The talk of her for the Senate is the work of the Republican papers," said Mr. Simpson.
"They want to Induce her to do something silly and to make our people ridiculous. I do not think they will succeed. I think that Mrs. Lease is far too clever to do anything silly."

IT PROVED A BOOMERING. The Effort of the Herrick Machine to Have Hill Democrats Removed from Office. ALBANY, Nov. 25 .- Not long ago the Demoratic machine of this city, of which D. Cady Herrick is the boss, evolved the plan (and also sub-committee to put it in operation) of having all Hill Democrats in the several State on Gov. Flower and set their little decapitating club a whirling. It has proved to have been a boomerang, for on its return it I knocked Chief Clerk John P. Masterson fr his \$2,500 perch in the Stato Engineer's of Masterson is one of Herrick's lieutenants, and is commonly known as Gen. John P. Masterson of the Albany phalanx. He has occupied his place, which he will resign on Dec. I. since Jan. I. 1884. Mr. Masterson, like his superior officer. Judge Herrick, has never liked Senator Hill. and is charged with having been rather free in expressing himself of late. Gov. Flower informed Mayor Mauning and Congressman Tracey, when they unwittingly swung their boomerang, that the heads of the various departments had full jurisdiction over the personnel of their office staffs, and before or about January next this will be demonstrated and a number of changes will be made which will not be agreeable to the Herrick machine. his \$2,500 perch in the State Engineer's of

NEW DISTRICT LEADERS.

There May Be Changes in Three Districts that Were Expected to Go Republican, One of the results of the reorganization of the Republican machine in this city at the primary elections on Dec. 13 will, it is said, he the choice of new leaders for the three Assembly districts which are generally supposed to be Republican, but which, with the other twenty-seven, gave Cleveland pluralities on Nov. & The districts are the Eleventh, of which Col. George Bliss is the present leader; which Col. George Bliss is the present leader; the Twenty-first, where James A. Blanchard is the executive member, and John Proctor Clarke is President of the Bistrict Association, and the Twenty-third, which as part of the old Nineteenth district, struggled through the last election without a reader. John L. Milholiand, it is expected, will be the leader in the new Fleventh. Perhaps Col. Bliss will become President of the County Committee. James A. Bianchard and John Prestor Clarke have both expressed their intribute of stepping aside for younger men into Twenty-his. In the Twenty-third it is a free fight.

Justice Divver's Banner District. When the leaders of Tammany Hai! announced before the elections that they would tried to kill herself. She was glad Samtson give a silk flag to the Tammany association in the district rolling up the largest plurality for was dead, but hoped the bride would get well. Only slight hopes are entertained of Mrs. the Democratic ti ket, Police Justice Patrick J. Divver, the leader of the Second Assembly d. Diver, the leader of the Second Assembly district, claimed the prize in advance. The result justified his claim, and on next Tuesday evening, in the club house of the P. J. Diver Association, Police Justice Grady will present the trophy to the successful organization. The silken banner given by Justice Diver to the centum of the election district which gave the largest plurality to the Democratic electors was wen by the Hon. Timothy D. Sullivan. It will be ready for presentation in about a week.

Tammany's First Prize Banner. Tammany Hall's Committee of Thirty will neet at 4 o'clock next Tuesday afternoon, when, among other things, the district organzations winning the two prize banners will be named. It is well understood that the Second named. It is well understood that the Second district won the first prize banner, and ar-rangements have been made already for its presentation at the rooms of the P. Divver As-sociation. 59 Madison street. Tuesday even-ing. Justice Divver, the leader in the Second Assembly district, will at the same time pre-sent Assemblyman Dry Dollar Sullivan with a harranger for the best showing in any election

banner for the best showing in any election Jersey's Imitation Johnny Davenports Wan

The men who acted as supervisors and marshals in Jersey City and Hoboken on Nov. 8 have so pestered Chief Supervisor McEwan for their money that yesterday he posted the following notice:

"The Chief Supervisor is not responsible for the payment of the United States supervisors and marshals. The matter lies entirely with Congress."
Mr. McEwan has no doubt that Congress will

order the payment of all just claims, but the bills must go to Washington for examination. To Talk Over the Distribution of Virginia's Patronage. LEXINGTON, Va., Nov. 25.-To-morrow at Warrenton, Va., Pasil B. Gordon, Chairman

Pitz Hugh Lee, Senator Eppa Hunton, Gen. Wilham H. Payne and other prominent Vir-ginia politicians to talk over the distribution of Virginia patronage and the political situa-

of the Democratic Committee, will meet Gen.

Gov. Russell's Plurality is 2,696. Bo-rox, Nov. 25 .- The recount of the Gubernatorial vote at the State House shows that Gov. Russell is reflected with a plurality of Cov. Russel is recovered with a plurality over James R. Carroll for Lieutenant-Governor is 11,453. William M. Olin has a plurality over Charles S. Hamlin for the office of Secretary of State of 17,808. George A. Marden, State Treasurer, has a plurality over James S. Grinnell of 23,046.

The Protective Turiff League. Cornellus N. Bliss presided at a meeting of the Board of Managers of the Protective Tariff League yesterday afternoon, at which it was

unanimously resolved to continue the work of the league. The extent of the work done, how-ever, will, according to the wording of the resolution, depend upon the conperation re-ceived. Republicans Furnished the Third Party Vote in Missourt. Sr. Louis, Nov. 25, - The total vote polled in Missouri on Nov. 8 was 540,344, of which Cleveland received 268,030, Harrison 220,824, Weaver 41,185, and Bidwell 4,298. A study of the figures shows that the third party vote comes almost entirely from the Republicans.

Cleveland's Plurality in Indiana, 7,083. INDIANAPOLIS, Nov. 25 .- The official vote of indiana was ascertained to-day. Cleyeland's ndurality is 7.085. Mathews, for Governor, has 10s votes less than Claveland. The total Pop-ulist vote is 21.020; Prohibition, 12.760. Mr. Croker Calls on Senator Gorman.

Richard Croker has returned from Richfield Springs, and had a long talk last evening with Senator Gorman of Maryland, in the latter's room at the Fifth Avenue Hotel. Thousands of School And teachers have it in use and would never replace it by one of another make because of their experience as to its technical qualifications for instructive purposes being unequalised. No achoo! estimate prominence among its rivals is without a Steak Flanch—4du. "THE BREAKERS" BURNED. CORNELIUS VANDERBILT'S HANDSOME

Jewels Were Hurried Into Safes, and

Burned bricks and heaps of ashes are all that

counted as one of Newport's largest and finest residences. Fire destroyed the house, all the valuable contents of the villa, including furniture, bric-à-brac, wearing apparel, and other rare and costly articles.

The fire was discovered by Mr. Vanderbilt

easily within control.

A few minutes showed this to be a serious mistake, and within two hours the building and contents were entirely destroyed. The villa was at Ochre Point, nearly a mile

partment. The engines were unable to work to advantage. This was partly due to the small number of hydrants in that section of departments removed. The committee waited | the city, where the houses have large grounds as also partly due to a lack of sufficient

> was discovered. To-day's experience confirms that of previous years, that when fire once gets well started in one of Newport's summer villas. building and contents are certain to be a total loss. Mr. Vanderbilt says that in the early stages of to-day's fire he saw that nothing

> The whote building was a rearing furnace from the roof to the ground and from end to end when the department arrived. Some comtries, rare paintings, valuable brie-a-brac, and fine decorations and furnishings were beyond

> York, and was purchased, with the extensive 000. More than \$100,000 was expended in additions and improvements to the building.
> The villa was of irregular shape, about 100 by 100 feet in size, from one to two stories in

> The character of the furniture and decorations may be judged from the fact that in a single hall were hung tapestries estimated to be worth \$200,000 or more. Members of the family and servants alike lost all their clothing. Mr. Vanderbilt and family found temporary refuge in the gardener's cottage on the premises, and were afterward entertained by neighbors. Mr. Vanderbilt could give no ac-

> He added that, although he intended to remain in his cottage here until after Christmas. his family would now go at once to New York. He will probably build a new villa at an early

> Mr. Vanderbilt and family have been here only since Oct. 1, having spent the season elsewhere this year because of the recent death of their eldest son.

THE PRINCIPAL RESIGNED. A Young Woman Popil of a Southern School Makes Serious Charges.

to the door about 10% on Monday hight and opened it. Miss Brown and two young women who were with her set up a scream, and two professors rushed to the place. They found Dr. Bass coming down the hall.

Miss Brown says she asked Dr. Bass for a roommate, and he proposed that he should come to her room himself that night. She told the matron, and the two girls were put with her for the night.

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Dr. Bass testified that he had never spoken to the young woman but twice, except to reprove her. On Monday night a crowd of young men were at the college serenading, and Dr. liass and two professors were looking around to prevent any of the bors from reist-chaving. On previous occasions they had climited the galleries and looked into the girls' rooms. As he frequently did, Dr. Bass went along the hall turning the door knobs of the various rooms, and where he found one unlocked he ordered the occarants to closs it. When he turned the knob of Miss Brown's room the door came open. The girls called "Who's there "and he answered," Latch your door," and turned down the hall. Then the girls set up the screaming, and the wholeschool rushed to the scene.

A GOLD CURE THAT DIDN'T PAY.

in magnificent style, and seen opened its doors after having been incorporated in the State of New Jersey, Otto K. Dean of Fredonia. N. Y. was general manager and treasurer, and Dr. J. A. Waterhouse of the same place general medical director. M. M. Fenner, an ex-member of the New York Legislature, was the President, and A. J. Dean of Fredonia the Secretary of the concern. Dr. J. W. Bennett of Long Branch was appointed resident inpushina, and at first the place seemed to been. Forty-five patients were treated and one died there.

On bept. I Dr. Waterhouse left, saying that he would only be gone a short while to start a branch in Missouri. Nothing was heard, of him, and Mr. Bennett took the entire charge, Last week a letter came to Dr. Bennett from Waterhouse, saying that owing to financial difficulties his salary would not be paid, and for him to close the house and give the keys to Mr. Daly. This was done on Monday. Dr. Bennett says that the campany owes him \$750, his whole salary for the year, and he thinks that something is wrong, as the company was paying expenses. He has not seen any of the officers yet, but is on the lookout for them.

This was John A. Parker, a painter, who was playing pool in a saloon near the scene of the shooting. He saw Curtis and the policeman going down the street toward the station, and no third man was with them.

The remainder of the day was occupied with witnesses who testified at the first trial.

The Fraudulent Buil Ticket Swindle.